

**AMENDED CLAIMS****(Marked up to show changes, 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(ii))**

- 1 9. (Amended) A watercraft lifting apparatus comprising:
- 2 a buoyant support apparatus comprising a buoyant frame [slidab]yslidably
- 3 mounted to a fixed frame configured to be fixed to the floor of a body of water; and
- 4 a lift attached to the buoyant frame, the lift comprising:
- 5 a generally rectangular base having a longitudinal axis;
- 6 first and second pairs of booms, each of said first and second pairs of
- 7 booms having first ends and second opposite ends, said first ends pivotally
- 8 connected to said base at opposite ends of said longitudinal axis, said first boom
- 9 including a boom extension projecting from said boom adjacent said pivotal
- 10 connection to said base such that said pivotal connection to said base is positioned
- 11 between said second end of said first pair of booms and a distal end of said boom
- 12 extension;
- 13 watercraft supports pivotally connected to said second ends of said first
- 14 and second pairs of booms whereby a four-bar linkage is formed; and
- 15 an actuator pivotally connected between said first and second pairs of booms and
- 16 operable for rotating said first and second pairs of booms, a first end of said actuator
- 17 pivotally connected to said first pair of booms adjacent said distal end of said boom
- 18 extension and a second end of said actuator pivotally connected to said second pair of
- 19 booms adjacent said second end of said second pair of booms, whereby said watercraft
- 20 supports are moved from a first position adjacent said base to a second position spaced
- 21 away from said base.

1    15. (Amended)        A watercraft lifting apparatus comprising:  
2        a buoyant support apparatus; and  
3        a lift attached to the buoyant support apparatus, the lift comprising:  
4            a generally rectangular base formed of two longitudinal beams joined at  
5        each end by first and second transverse beams;  
6            a first pair of booms comprising first and second booms each having first  
7        and second opposite ends,  
8            a boom extension projecting from said first ends[;], and  
9            pivots adjacent said first ends for pivotally connecting said first and  
10       second booms to a respective one of said longitudinal beams adjacent said first  
11       transverse beam;  
12           a second pair of booms having first and second opposite ends, said first  
13       ends pivotally connected to a respective one of said longitudinal beams adjacent  
14       to said second transverse beam;  
15           a plurality of watercraft supports pivotally connected to said second ends  
16       of said first and second pairs of booms; and  
17           an actuator having a first end pivotally connected between said second  
18       ends of said [-second]second pair of booms and said base, and a second end  
19       pivotally connected adjacent to a distal end of said boom extension, said actuator  
20       operable for rotating said first and second pairs of booms.